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** Media Advisory **

Law Enforcement Memorial Service slated for May 16

What: Law Enforcement Memorial Service

When: Noon, May 16, 2006

Where: Wichita City Council Chambers, City Hall

Who: Wichita Police Department and the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office

The Wichita Police Department and the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office will honor Officers and Deputies who gave their lives in the line of duty at a noon service on May 16 in the Wichita City Council Chambers. The Memorial is co-hosted by the Wichita Police Department and the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office, and is a part of National Law Enforcement Memorial week.

Mayor Carlos Mayans and County Commission Chair Ben Sciortino will each read a proclamation, and Police Chief Norman Williams and Sheriff Gary Steed will speak as a part of the service.

The Citizen's Police Academy will provide a memorial wreath to be presented to Sheriff Steed and Chief Williams. After the laying of the wreath, Sheriff Sergeant Greg Lathrop and Police Lieutenant Todd Ojile will conduct the roll call and read the names of the 26 officers and deputies being memorialized.

The service will also include an invocation and benediction by Chaplain Dave Henion, Police Officer Ron Hunt and Sheriff's Office Detective Wade Graber will play taps, and Mr. William McCollum will play Amazing Grace on the bagpipes.

The Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #5, will host a luncheon in the First Floor Board Room of City Hall following the ceremony.